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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTRY'S PRESS STATEMENT ON REJECTION OF  
HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT AND REFUSAL OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE

REF: BRASILIA 1736

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY RELEASED FOLLOWING PRESS COMMUNIQUE MORNING  
OF MARCH 5, INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF COMMUNIQUE: YESTERDAY AFTERNOON  
THE COUNSELOR FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED STATES  
EMBASSY GAVE THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY A MEMORANDUM  
RELATIVE TO THE MESSAGE THAT THE AMERICAN EXECUTIVE BRANCH  
WILL SEND TO CONGRESS CONCERNING THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE  
OFFERED BY THAT COUNTRY. ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE  
MEMORANDUM, THE AMERICAN LEGISLATION REGARDING SECURITY ASSISTANCE  
REQUIRES THAT THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH PRESENT TO THE  
UNITED STATES CONGRESS A REPORT REFERRING TO THE INTERNAL  
SITUATION OF EACH COUNTRY TO BE BENEFITED BY THAT ASSISTANCE.  
THE MEMORANDUM WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A REPORT ON BRAZIL, WHICH  
CONTAINS TENDENTIOUS AND UNACCEPTABLE COMMENTS AND JUDGMENTS.  
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2. SUCH AN EXAMINATION, BY ORGANS OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT,  
CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THE PRINCIPLE OF  
NON-INTERFERENCE, WHICH BOTH GOVERNMENTS SUBSCRIBED TO UPON  
SIGNING THE UN CHARTER AND THE OAS CHARTER,  
AND IT IS TRADITIONAL IN THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP.

3. BRAZIL HAS ALWAYS GUIDED ITS FOREIGN RELATIONS BY THE STRICTEST COMPLIANCE WITH THE OBLIGATIONS OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES, WHICH IT CONSIDERS THE VERY BASIS OF INTERNATIONAL COEXISTENCE.

4. THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT, ACCORDINGLY, RETURNED YESTERDAY TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY THE MEMORANDUM CITED.

5. BY NOTE OF THE SAME DATE THE GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATED TO THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THE REFUSAL OF ITS INCLUSION IN THE PROGRAM OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE.  
END INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF COMMUNIQUE.  
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